

Remarks/Arguments

Claim Summary

By this Amendment, claims 1-3 and 8-9 have been revised, and claim 5 has been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-4 and 6-9 are now pending in the application.

Claim Objections and 35 U.S.C. ¶112

By this Amendment, the claims have been revised as generally suggested by the Examiner. In this regard, it is noted that the subject matter of original claim 5 (now cancelled) has been incorporated into each of independent claims 1, 3, 8 and 9, and it is thus believed that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. ¶112, first and second paragraphs, have been overcome or rendered moot.

Conclusion

No other issues remaining, reconsideration and favorable action upon the claims now pending in the application are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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